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1, Source learned from the foremen of a brigade locomotive that as of 1 July 1951 locomotive columns, which were all type 52 locomotives, were stationed

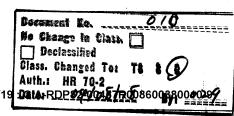
as follows:				
Location	Column No	Utilization	Number of Locomotives	reparement at the
Ducherow	13	kept cold	30	
Blumenhagen	12	kept cold	30	:
Ruednitz	3	kept cold	30	
Beeskow	7	kept cold	30	
Strasburg/ Uckermark	6	kept cold	30	
Hoyerswerda	$\mathbf{n}$	operational	30	
Cottbus	10	operational	30	
Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard	ection	operational	130 (1)	

The locometives which are kept cold are no longer assigned to the Directorate General, Railroads, Berlin, but as with the operational column locomotives, they are controlled exclusively by the SCC Transportation Division in Karlshorst. (2) Columns No 10 and 11 also operate through Frankfurt/Oder when on transit missions. (3)

2. The transfer of Locomotive Column No 3 from Ruednitz was completed on 5 July 1951. Part of the equipment was dispatched to Frankfurt/Oder, and part to the Dresden area. A total of 26 locomotives and 5 cabooses were affected by this transfer. Five locomotives were sent to Pankow railroad repair shop to be overhauled there. These measures indicate that the SCC has given permission to use at least part of these column locomotives for the World Youth Festival in Berlin. The original SCC order to have these locomotives parked at Wriezen was not carried out. (4)

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- 3. On 1 July 1951, it was observed that a detail of 8 chief conductors and he locomotive engineers left Angermuende for Frankfurt/Oder. The railroadment said that they were detached to Frankfurt/Oder as replacements for reflected men discharged there in connection with the recent screening of locomotive column personnel. (5)
- 4. In June and July 1951, source observed that locomotive brigades were being organized in Eisenach, Gerstungen and Vacha. Locomotive Brigade No 1 in Eisenach was equipped with 15 locomotives; Brigade No 2 in Gerstungen with 7 locomotives, and Brigade No 3 in Vacha with 5 locomotives. Three locomotive personnel and three conductors had to be made available for each brigade locomotive. The personnel concerned had to submit to special technical and political examinations. (6)

(2) A total of 376 column locomotives are available. They are carried in separate inventory lists. See

inventory lists. See (3) Locomotive Columns No 10 and 11 frequently also operate via Guben.

(5) The unexpected exchange of column locomotive personnel in Frankfurt/Oder after 1 July 1951 was previously

these plans.

(6) The formation of these brigades is not believed to be connected with Soviet transit traffic through Poland. These locomotives may be used either in connection with the Berlin World Youth Festival, or for intersocal traffic which is maintained by a pair of express trains operating daily on the Frankfurt/Main-Bebra-Eisenach-Erfurt-Berlin line, or finally the whole measure may be designed to raise the work productivity of Soviet Zone railroad personnel on the basis of Soviet experiences. Such locomotive brigades are already in existence and used for intra-zonal traffic. They often carry the designation "Brigade of Excellent Quality."

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